

**Botley Neighbourhood Plan Committee (BNPC)**  
**Report to Botley Parish Council (BPC) meeting 12 March 2019**

Meeting of the BNPC, 20 February 2019

- 6 Councillors and 1 non-Councillor were present
- The Committee remains very concerned about our inability to attract non-Councillors Botley residents to join the BNPC
- On 28 January 2019 three Councillors and Tony Charles met Warren Jackson-Hookins and Julia Birt at Eastleigh Borough Council
  - The Agenda (*NP Documents-Other Documents-EBC meeting Agenda 28 Jan 2019*) and Notes (*NP Documents-Other Documents-EBC meeting Notes 28 Jan 2019*) from this meeting are on the restricted access NP web page
  - Our NP must contain a clear statement on housing for the planning period to 2036 and any other non-housing matters where there is a clear public view;
  - EBC will pay all direct costs of the Public Consultation and Referendum but we will be responsible for any advertising material sent out before the Referendum;
  - The EBC housing numbers are difficult to reconcile and we have asked for clarification;
  - EBC confirmed that they are unable to supply Housing Need data specific to Botley;
  - Our NP will require both a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening Assessment and a Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) Screening Exercise to decide whether the draft NP will have serious enough environmental impacts to require a full SEA or HRA;
- If the EBC Local Plan is proved sound it would be sensible for our NP to be made shortly after the LP is adopted (so probably in the first quarter of 2020) but if the progress of the LP appears to be stalling at the Public Examination (probably in the third quarter of 2019) we should expedite our NP
- The restricted area of the NP web page is now active, and 98 documents have been uploaded. All Councillors are entitled to access this area but require a password provided by Colin Mercer
- The Botley SHLAA review (*NP Documents-Housing-B SHLAA assessment WPnpc v7 2019*) was discussed and the meeting agreed that no sites should be allocated for future housing development
- The next meeting of the BNPC will be on 20 March 2019

Progress since the BNPC meeting

- We are still waiting to hear from Locality regarding the decision on our application for a technical package to perform a Botley specific Housing Need Assessment

Cllr David Weeden  
Chairman BNPC  
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